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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re the Application of:

**Yasushi KAWAKURA et al.**

Serial No.: 08/932,543

Filed: September 17, 1997

For: ACCESS CONTROL METHOD AND  
INFORMATION UTILIZATION  
APPARATUS

Atty. Docket No.: 001701.39203

Group Art Unit: 2611

Examiner: Tran, H.

Confirmation No.: 5429

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 15, 2003, Applicant submits herewith a revised Listing of Claims to replace the Amendments to the Claims section originally submitted in the Amendment filed June 23, 2003 in response to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2003.

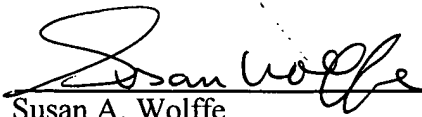
It should be noted that the undersigned disagrees with this requirement in that the Amendment filed June 23, 2003 was clearly filed before the effective date of the amended rules (July 30, 2003), and, in fact, was filed before the rules were amended on June 30, 2003.

It is believed that no fee is required for this submission. If any fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Dated: October 15, 2003

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